Child Abuse or Neglect Report

(FY 2022 Appropriation Act – Public Act 87 2021)

March 1, 2022

Sec. 512. As required by the settlement, by March 1 of the current fiscal year, the department shall report to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies, the senate and house policy offices, and the state budget office on the following information for cases of child abuse or child neglect from the previous fiscal year:

- (a) The total number of relative care placements.
- (b) The total number of relatives with a placement who became licensed.
- (c) A list of the reasons from a sample of cases where relatives were denied foster home licensure as documented by the department.



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(a) Relative Care Placements

During fiscal year (FY) 2021, there were 6,207 children placed in 3,107 relative homes.

(b) Relatives Licensed in FY 2021 with a Placement

Relatives Licensed in Fiscal Year 2021 with a Placement											
Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
23	25	18	34	20	21	25	23	36	28	43	51
Total: 347											

(c) Reasons Relatives were Denied Foster Home Licensure

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services reviewed the eight relative licenses that were denied during FY 2021. The most common denial reasons were:

- o The applicant had an unallowable criminal conviction R 400.9201(b).
- o The applicant did not disclose substance abuse history R 400.9206(b) (vii).
- o Serious history of domestic violence R 400.9201(j).
- The applicant did not cooperate and assist the agency in the agency's implementation of the service plan for children and their families R 400.9403 (a).